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VIA FACSIMILE

Kim Collins, Esq.
Office of General Counsel
Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, NW
Washington, DC 20463

Re: MUR 5641

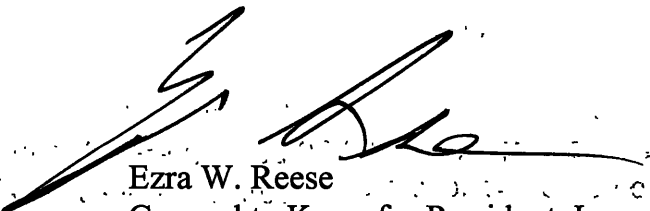
Dear Ms. Collins:

My firm is counsel to Kerry for President, Inc. and Shrum, Devine & Donilon, Inc. Designations of Counsel to that effect are on file with your office. I write to seek an extension of time in which to respond to the complaint in the above-referenced MUR.

We received the complaint on January 27, 2005; our response would normally be due on February 11, 2004. However, we require additional time to develop the information that would permit us to respond. In particular, the complaint makes allegations concerning matters that took place over a year ago; it may take additional time to marshal the facts necessary to respond appropriately. Accordingly, we respectfully request a 20-day extension, so that we be permitted to respond on or before March 3, 2005.

Please advise me as soon as possible regarding the requested extension. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,


Ezra W. Reese
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